

ABSOLUTE RATING: Average
IMPROVEMENT RATING: Excellent

Number of high schools with students similar to ours: 18. The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from unsatisfactory to average. For the improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD

	Absolute Rating	Improvement Rating
2001	Average	Excellent
2002		
2003		
2004		

TENTH GRADE PASSAGE OF ONE OR MORE SUBTESTS OF THE EXIT EXAM

	Our School			Schools With Students Like Ours		
	1999	2000	2001	1999	2000	2001
• Passed all 3 subtests	46.9	53.6	67.4	42.9	44.3	54.6
• Passed 2 subtests	22.9	23.6	11.6	25.1	22.4	20.3
• Passed 1 subtest	11.5	15.5	11.6	17.0	19.2	14.2
• Passed no subtests	18.8	7.3	9.5	15.0	14.1	11.0

ELIGIBILITY FOR LIFE SCHOLARSHIPS	Our School	Schools With Students Like Ours
% of seniors eligible for LIFE Scholarships	6.0%	6.6%
% of seniors who met the SAT requirement	6.0%	6.7%
% of seniors who met the grade point average	33.3%	37.9%

Beginning in 2003, the graduation rate for each high school will be included in the school rating.

PERFORMANCE BY STUDENT GROUPS

Student Group	Seniors		
	Exit Exam Passage Rate by Spring 2001	Eligibility for LIFE Scholarships	Graduation Rate
All students	92.4%	6.0%	N/A until 2003
Students with disabilities other than speech	66.7%	0.0%	
Students without disabilities	95.1%	6.7%	
Gender			
Male	97.8%	7.5%	
Female	86.7%	4.5%	
Ethnic Group			
African American	92.7%	5.1%	
Hispanic	100.0%	N/A	
White	85.7%	16.7%	
Other	N/A	N/A	
Lunch Status			
Free/reduced-price lunch	97.0%	0.0%	
Pay for lunch	78.3%	19.2%	

STUDENTS IN CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY COURSES

Mastering core competencies	77.4%
Completers placed	93.1%
Eligible students enrolled	71.3%

SCHOOL PROFILE

INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
SCHOOL				
• Dollars spent per student	\$6,023	N/A	\$5,709	\$5,668
• Prime instructional time	87.3%	Down from 89.8%	88.0%	90.1%
• Student-teacher ratio	30.4 to 1	N/A	23.4 to 1	25.1 to 1
STUDENTS (n=464)				
• Advanced Placement/ Int'l Baccalaureate Program Exam Success Ratio	0.0%	N/A	2.4%	40.0%
• Attendance rate	93.9%	Down from 94.6%	95.1%	95.3%
• Retention rate	10.2%	Up from 9.0%	10.5%	10.0%
TEACHERS (n=33)				
• Professional Development days per teacher	8.9 Days	Up from 7.6	8.1 Days	7.5 Days
• Attendance rate	94.8%	Down from 96.6%	95.3%	95.7%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	60.6%	Down from 64.5%	42.3%	49.4%
• Continuing contract teachers	87.9%	Down from 88.2%	77.4%	81.0%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	3.0%	Up from 2.9%	2.2%	3.0%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	92.9%	Down from 94.8%	83.9%	85.2%
• Average teacher salary	\$36,011	Down 0.3%	\$36,517	\$38,125

SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median High School
SCHOOL				
• Dropout rate	3.0%	Up from 2.0%	3.0%	2.9%
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	56.4%	N/A	55.9%	56.4%
• Principal's years at the school	17.0	N/A	3.0	3.0
• Percent of parents attending conferences	56.9%	N/A	56.9%	60.1%
• Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Excellent
STUDENTS				
• Older than usual for grade	12.3%	Up from 10.2%	13.3%	10.1%
• Suspended or expelled	70	N/A	44	29
• Gifted and talented	9.1%	Down from 14.6%	2.5%	7.4%
• With disabilities other than speech	18.8%	Up from 16.3%	12.5%	10.7%
• Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	15.1%	N/A	3.2%	4.5%
• Enrollment in career and technology center courses	331	N/A	322	350
• Career students participating in work-based experiences	46.8%	N/A	16.5%	23.1%



PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

This has been a good year at Hemingway High School. Our students showed improvement both in academic and extracurricular activities. Among our accomplishments are the following: The average SAT scores increased, and the number of seniors qualifying for LIFE Scholarships increased from 2 to 5; Seniors were offered college scholarships in excess of \$250,000.00; Ten seniors received the Presidential Academic Fitness Award; Exit Exam scores showed a 10.3% increase in Reading and a 6.1% increase in Math; Several students were elected to state and district offices and students participated in the 4H Energy Challenge and the National Oceanic Sciences Bowl; and all athletic teams performed at or above .5%.

Our plans for the upcoming school year include the following: All College Prep students will be required to take SAT/ACT Preparation courses and workshops for students and teachers will be conducted; Exit Exam remediation programs will be expanded to include reading, math, and writing; Character Education and study skills/motivation will be emphasized through Tiger Focus class; Honors students will be selected more carefully and will be encouraged to continue with AP courses; and parental participation will increase.

W. Ronald Williamson

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	97.1	53.3	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	94.3	65.2	
Satisfied with home-school relations	82.9	76.9	

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

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Grades 9-12 High School

Enrollment: 464 Students

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THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School
Report Card

2001

School Grade:
Excellent



South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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